Town of Bedford Finance Committee Selectmen's Meeting Room, Bedford Town Hall

Date: July 11, 2013

<u>Finance Committee Attendees</u>: Mike Seibert, Chair; Stephen Steele, Vice-Chair; Meredith McCulloch, Barbara Perry, Stephen Carluccio, Tom Busa, Richard Bowen, Ben Thomas.

Other Attendees: Roy Sorenson, DPW Director; Adrienne St John, Engineer, DPW; David Coelho, Director of Finance, School Committee; Victor Garofalo, Finance Director, Treasurer/Collector; Joanne Monaghan, Recording Secretary for finance committee.

Attachments/Handouts: Reserve Fund Transfers and Appropriation Transfers between departments.

Meeting was called to order at 7:33pm.

Meeting Discussions and Actions:

Vote: 8-0-0.

- 1. Victor introduced the new DPW Director, Roy Sorenson.
- Reserve Fund Transfers: a) A reserve fund transfer is requested by the DPW for water usage and repairs, including cleaning and relining of water pipes along Great Road. Motion: Steve S made a motion to transfer \$217,327.00 from the reserve fund to account 001.4007.5230.5450 for these repairs, seconded by Barbara, *Vote 6-0-1*. (Steve C arrived late)
 b) A reserve fund transfer request is requested by the schools for the additional costs of transportation of homeless children in the amount of \$102,940.80. There was an increase in homeless children in FY13 from 10 to 66. These funds should be reimbursed back to the town in FY14. Motion: Steve S made a motion to transfer \$102,940.80 from the reserve fund to account 001.3000.5780 to cover the noted transportation costs, seconded by Steve C.

There was also discussion about the labor costs of the school lunch program and what progress is being made towards overall improvements in the program.

- c) A reserve fund transfer is requested in the amount of \$6,904.00 to the Facilities energy account to account 001.2360.5210. Steve S made a motion to transfer \$6,904.00 to the Facilities energy account to account 001.2360.5210, seconded by Barbara. *Vote:* 8-0-0.
- 3. Year End Appropriation transfers between departments:
 - a. Facilities Salaries to General Expense, for A/C repairs at the Fire Station. Steve S. made a motion to approve the transfer of \$6,809.34, seconded by Barbara. *Vote:* 8-0-0.
 - b. Town Clerk Salaries to Elections/Registrations for costs of special election for State Senate on June 25, 2013. Town Clerk's office had vacancy which left an excess of funds. Steve S. made a motion to approve the transfer of \$3,151.00, Steve C. seconded the motion. *Vote:* 8-0-0.
- 4. Victor gave an update on FY13. Currently the fiscal year FY13 books are in the closing process. Local receipts expect to be ~110% over estimates at the end of the year. The snow deficit is expected to be ~\$300k; State aid is anticipated to cover the snow deficit.

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5. Meetings Attended:

Selectman's Meeting, Ben attended, no update.

- 6. <u>Open Discussion</u>: Discussed the replacement of Meredith, which is in process. Meredith will continue on the committee until replacement is determined.
- 7. <u>Minutes</u>: Steve S made a motion to approve the minutes of June 13, as amended, Meredith seconded the motion. *Vote*: 8-0-0.
- 8. Steve S. made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:50pm, seconded by Tom. *Vote:* 8-0-0.

Finance Meeting Schedule: Next meeting, September 12.

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